

# JUNE 2026



## *Greetings and Farewell from our 2025-2026*

DISTRICT GOVERNOR  
Tim Genetti



As I conclude my term as your District Governor, I want to express my sincere gratitude to every member of District 7410. Serving in this role has been a true joy and it was made possible by District 7410 members unwavering support, dedication, and commitment to our shared mission.

Throughout this Rotary year, I have seen the remarkable impact our clubs have had on their communities. Every project, fundraiser, and meeting strengthened the spirit of service that defines our district. Your passion for Rotary continues to inspire me and fill me with pride.

I want to thank the many individuals who made this year so memorable. Every past District Governor knows that leading a district well requires a team effort, and in a message like this, it is easy to unintentionally overlook someone who offered support along the way. If I have done so, please accept my sincere

apologies. Most of all, I want to thank every Rotarian in District 7410 who helped make this year special. I am deeply grateful for the camaraderie we have built together.

To our Club Presidents, thank you for your exemplary leadership, especially during our membership drive. The role of Club President is one of the most important in Rotary, and I have been honored to witness the extraordinary work each of your clubs has done in its community.

I also want to recognize my Assistant Governors—Robert Oldroyd, Mary Tempest, Charlies Lang, Stephen Moulton, Pat Ward, Mitchell Marcus, James Baker, and Brian Vnuk. Your visits to our clubs and your efforts to keep them informed of district goals have been invaluable. I am equally grateful to our committee leaders and board members for their dedicated work on our programs: Foundation (Sam Maruzzelli), District Grant (Brian Lione), Membership (Charlie Lang), Public Image (Jessica Pope), International Service (Dave Palmer), Youth Exchange (Anne Sehne), Club Growth and Sustainability (Marcia Loughman), District Conference (Andy Lane Chapman, JK and Shelly Karavis, Al Noble), Youth Protection Officer (Craig Devenport), Polio (Joseph Riccardo), Essay Contest (Kim McNulty), and Nominating Committee (Marcia Loughman).

I have also had the privilege of working with an extraordinary leadership team: Andy Chapman Lane, DGE; Robert Oldroyd, DGN; Ty Holmes, DGND; Marcia Loughman, Past District Governor; and Bill Skinner, Immediate Past District Governor. Our weekly Zoom meetings have been incredibly valuable to me. I also want to acknowledge our Past District Governors and Carol Hemphill, who chaired the PDG Council, for their advice and support throughout the year.

To my home club, Hazleton, thank you for your support throughout my year.

Finally, I want to thank my family for their patience and understanding. Serving as District Governor required significant time away from them, and their support has meant the world to me. As I am preparing to pass this role to Andy, I am excited to see our clubs continue to grow and thrive in the years ahead. Great challenges also bring great opportunities, and that is what makes our future together so promising. I encourage each of you to remain engaged and committed to Rotary's mission. Together, we can continue to create lasting changes in our communities and beyond.

Thank you once again for the honor of serving as your District Governor. It has truly been a joy.

Sincerely, DG Tim

# Rotary District 7410 Polio Plus Application



As a Rotarian and supporter of Polio Eradication, Rotary's #1 international priority, I wish to participate in this child focused humanitarian effort as a member of the PolioPlus Society of Rotary District 7410.

I hereby commit to making an annual donation to the PolioPlus program of the Rotary Foundation as follows: (select one)

- \$100 per year to PolioPlus (this is the minimum amount to become a PolioPlus Society member)
- A contribution of \$\_\_\_\_\_per year to PolioPlus (more than \$100)
- A contribution of \$\_\_\_\_\_ only this year; unfortunately, I cannot do this every year

Society members will receive a PolioPlus Society membership pin and Paul Harris credit. Make your donation online at [www.rotary.org/donate](http://www.rotary.org/donate) and select the Polio Fund, or through your Rotary Club and the Rotary International donor form. If made on-line, one can establish a recurring donation.

E-mail or mail the donation acknowledgement you receive from Rotary International and this form to me the District PolioPlus Society Coordinator at [davesolopalmer@gmail.com](mailto:davesolopalmer@gmail.com) or Dave Palmer, 443 Mateer Road, Hop Bottom, PA 18824. Contact Dave for questions at 570-498-6637.

Until the last child is immunized, and the world is certified polio-free, every child is at risk.

Name:

Signature:

Date:

Club Name:

Phone Number:

E-Mail:

Your PolioPlus Society pin will be presented to you at your club meeting or other appropriate meeting you might desire, to insure you are recognized for your commitment to eradicating polio from this earth.

# Register Today

## It's time to register for the 30th Annual, Statewide Pennsylvania Immunization Conference (PIC 2026)

PIC 2026 is an opportunity for professionals to learn, earn continuing education credits, network, and become more involved with immunizations.

### **PIC 2026:**

- Date: Thursday, June 18, 2026.

- Time: 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM.

  - o7:30 AM: Begin to check into the conference, have breakfast, visit the exhibits, and network.

- Location: Hershey Lodge, 325 University Drive, Hershey, PA 17033.

- Agenda Attached: Includes national, state, and local presenters speaking on reflections on vaccine legacy and public trust, 70 years that the polio vaccine was declared safe and effective, polio's long-term effects and caregiver care, describing the national childhood, adolescent and adult immunization schedules and Pennsylvania's response to the national changes, overview of vaccine preventable disease outbreaks, measles, and hepatitis B in Pennsylvania, Ian's personal story about flu, strategies for effective communication with messaging, addressing mis/dis/information, organizational quality improvement, reducing vaccine waste, and improving storage and handling, and recognizing the selected 2026 immunization champions.

For more information, Register to attend in-person or virtually (internet live course), Book hotel accommodations, and/or Apply to be a Conference Exhibitor, visit 30th Pennsylvania Immunization Conference (PIC 2026).

**[FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT CLICK HERE](#)**

# Banner Exchange

**Rotary**   
District 7410

# Banner Exchange

Sunday  
June 28th  
2-4 PM

**Here & Now Brewery**  
645 MAIN ST HONESDALE PA



Please join us for the District Banner Exchange, Induction of incoming District Governor Andy Lane Chapman, and installation of Honesdale's slate of officers. Refreshments will be served. Cash bar



RSVP by June 20  
[alcrotary@gmail.com](mailto:alcrotary@gmail.com)



570-470-9042

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# Connect with Us!

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# Public Image Committee

**Don't forget!**

**Visit the [Public Image page](#) to:**

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*-Find a link to take you directly to [Rotary Internationals Brand Center](#). Here you can create and download videos, images, brochures, logos, business cards, flyers and much more.*

*-Download a copy of the [District Directory](#).*

*-Download your [club logo](#).*



## Area Students selected for RYLA Conference

“There is plenty of summer fun in store for three area students who have been selected as scholarship recipients to attend the Rotary Youth Leadership Award Conference” said Kim McNulty, Hazleton Rotary RYLA project chairwoman. “Anthony Arias Tejeda, Anna Drobnock, and Ben Drobnock, all rising juniors at MMI Preparatory School, were awarded the Hazleton Rotary and Hazleton Rotary Foundation Scholarships that enable them to take part in this event.”

RYLA will be held June 21-25 at Keystone College in La Plume. RYLA has been designed as a five-day four-night leadership program for high school students who have completed their sophomore year and shown leadership potential in their home, school and community.

The conference is designed to introduce participants to thoughts and ideas which will strengthen and develop their leadership skills.

The program will highlight three different components, including team projects, small group activities and time for social life, like organized sports, dancing and other activities.

“The scholarships Hazleton Rotary has provided means that the only cost to RYLA attendees is transportation to and from the conference” said Club President Joan Buffington. “It is really exciting to be able to provide an opportunity for some Hazleton students to get together with other students from NEPA to discuss and exchange their ideas.”



# CLUBS IN ACTION

Rotary  
Club of The Abingtons



## Independence Day 2026

The Rotary Club of the Abingtons 40th Annual 4th of July Firework Celebration will be held Friday July 3, 2026 at Hillside Park, 1188 Winola Rd., South Abington Twp. Parking opens at 5PM and is \$10/vehicle.

There will be a variety of food options for purchase so come hungry. There will also be balloon sculptures, face painting, and 2 playgrounds available. The show starts at dusk and there is no rain date. Additional donations are appreciated!

Bring blankets and folding chairs to celebrate our nation with us! Special thanks to Hillside Park and ROCK 107!



## Patriotic Flower Planting

Billy Angel assists Rotary Chairpersons with their red white and blue 250th themed flowers planted throughout Clark Summit's areas.



## Abington Rotary Receives Special Award from Salvation Army

Rotary of The Abingtons was honored by the Salvation Army with a special plaque for all the money we raised ringing bells during the last Christmas season.

Between Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve we raised @\$10,000.00 in kettle collections and donations.

To all those who rang the bells...especially in the bitter cold...fantastic job!



## Essay Winner

David is one of three Rotary District #7410's Annual Essay Winners. A student at Abington Heights High School, he was sponsored by the Rotary Club of the Abingtons. A monetary gift was presented to David at a recent weekly meeting.



## New Member

A new member Andrew Erman was recently welcomed into membership with the Rotary Club of the Abingtons. A researcher from UCLA Andy retired and moved East to enjoy his time with family. In a short time he has joined the 5K Committee and several volunteer initiatives.



## Interact Club Features in Happenings Magazine

Check out the latest article on our local Rotary International Interact Club featured in **Happenings Magazine!**

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE ARTICLE](#)





## Birthday Cake Project for Salvation Army

Mary Tempest from the Tunkhannock Rotary Club recently visited the Forest City Rotary Club in April. They shared with me their Birthday Cake Project for individuals at Salvation Army. "We all enjoyed the hands on project." - Mary Tempest.



## Rotary Club of The Greater Poconos Completes Successful 2<sup>nd</sup> Tax Filing Season and Welcomes New Members



Rotary Club of The Greater Poconos (RCGP), in partnership with Rotary Foundation of The Greater Poconos (RFGP), recently completed its second successful Rotary-GP VITA tax filing season. During the 2025 Tax Year / 2026 Filing Season, 5 dedicated volunteers - 2 Rotarians and 3 community members - prepared and E-Filed 80 federal, state, and local tax returns, and 15 filing extensions, free of charge for seniors, disabled individuals, veterans, and low- to moderate-income taxpayers from Monroe and Pike Counties, Pennsylvania. Through this program, Rotary helped taxpayers who needed assistance most

secure more than \$75,000 in combined financial benefits through refunds, tax credits, and savings on professional tax preparation fees. The Rotary-GP VITA project continues to demonstrate how Rotary can directly improve the lives of individuals and families while advancing one of Rotary's causes - Community Economic Development - by helping local taxpayers retain more of their hard-earned income and achieve greater financial stability.

The success of the Rotary-GP VITA Program highlights an exciting opportunity for Rotary Clubs throughout Rotary District 7410 to add a highly visible, measurable service project that directly benefits seniors, veterans, disabled individuals, and working families while strengthening Rotary's presence in their respective community. Rotary Clubs interested in expanding their community impact are encouraged to consider sponsoring a tax preparation site for the 2027 Filing Season. Site sponsorship is as simple as paying a modest sponsorship fee, recruiting a few volunteers, and leveraging local community relationships to help secure a suitable location for tax prep services and outreach. RFGP provides all equipment, training, administrative and technological support, operational guidance to help participating Rotary Clubs successfully deliver this valuable community service.

Rotary Clubs interested in sponsoring a Rotary-GP VITA site in their community for the 2027 Filing Season are encouraged to contact Hal H. Harris at [President@Rotary-GP.org](mailto:President@Rotary-GP.org) (570) 213-3648 for additional information.



RCGP is pleased to announce that District Governor Tim Genetti has inducted five new members - Sabrina Page-Roberts, Rick Roberts, Terrence Colbert, Kristen Ross, and Tahja Mendoza into our Rotary Club. These new members bring diverse backgrounds, talents, and a shared commitment to service that will expand our ability to help the communities we serve. Their addition reflects the continued growth and vitality of our club and reinforces our commitment to Rotary's motto - **"Service Above Self!"**



## Hazleton Rotarian is recipient of the prestigious Athena Businesswoman of the Year Award

On behalf of President Joan,

On behalf of the Greater Hazleton Chamber of Commerce Board and our award sponsor, Lehigh Valley Hospital - Hazleton a part of Jefferson Health, we are proud to announce the 2026 recipient of the prestigious Athena Businesswoman of the Year Award Ms. Danielle Matarella, Greater Hazleton Director Catholic Social Services and an active member of our club, has been selected as the recipient of the 2026 Greater Hazleton Chamber of Commerce Athena Award, sponsored by Lehigh Valley Hospital Hazleton, part of Jefferson Health Network—Jefferson.

Danielle’s leadership is defined by collaboration, service, and a genuine commitment to strengthening her community. She consistently works to bring people together, support fellow organizations, and create meaningful opportunities that improve the lives of those she serves.

The Athena Award, presented each year to a Hazleton Area businesswoman for “outstanding professional achievement,” will be presented at the 134th Annual Meeting and Business Expo of the Greater Hazleton Chamber of Commerce on Thursday, May 15th at Capriotti’s beginning promptly at 5 pm.

Featured in the photo left to right are Rotarian Rosanna Gabriel, nominator, Melissa Curto, sponsor, Danielle Matarella – 2026 Athena Businesswoman of the Year, Rotarian Lisa Marie Halecky, sponsor and Sue Farley, nominator. Missing from photo is Nancy Stasko, nominator.



## Excellence in Membership Award

District Governor Tim Genetti presented a special Citation to President Joan Buffington and Rotary Club of Hazleton for achieving excellence in membership growth and engagement during the past Rotary year. The Hazleton Club had the largest increase in membership among all the clubs across District 7410.



## Scholarship Winners

“It is an honor, as Rotary President, to announce the following students; Mateo Feola, Ava Genetti, Benjamin Assad and Shaniece Brown have been selected as the 2026 Hazleton Rotary Memorial Scholarship winners.” declares Joan Buffington.

“Mateo will receive a scholarship of \$6,000 per year for a total of \$24,000 for four years; Ava will receive \$3,500 per year for a total of \$14,000; Benjamin will receive \$2,000 per year for a total of \$8,000 and Shaniece \$1,000 annually for a four-year total of \$4,000.” Buffington explains.

The four winners will be graduates of the following schools; Hazleton Area High School-Shaniece and Mateo, Hazleton Area Academy of Sciences-Ben and MMI Preparatory School-Ava.

Mateo, is the son of Lynn and Frank Feola, Hazle Township. The daughter of Dana and Alan Genetti, Ava and family reside in Sugarloaf. Benjamin is the son of Susanne and Michael Assad, White Haven. Shaniece is the daughter of Selina Brown, Hazleton.

Mateo will be seeking a Political Science degree from Villanova University or University of Pennsylvania leading to a Master’s degree; Ava-Bachelor’s degree in nursing from the University of Pittsburgh, Benjamin-Bachelor’s in Business Management from Moravian University and Shaniece has committed to Wilkes University and will major in Business with a minor in non-profit management and has enlisted in the Army National Guard. Rotary Scholarship Project Chair Kim McNulty comments, “It is really just so incredible to be able to offer these wonderful opportunities to our scholarship winners to further their education. Hazleton Rotary heartily congratulates them on all their outstanding achievements. and extends wishes for futures filled with success to each one.”

The winners will be introduced to the Hazleton Rotary membership this summer.



Mateo Feola



Ava Genetti



Benjamin Assad



Shaniece Brown

## May 2026 Social

Hazleton Rotarians enjoyed an early evening social at The Carvers Reserve, 695 S. Poplar Street, Hazleton on Wednesday, May 27, 2026. Hazleton Rotary usually offers one Social per month in addition to weekly meetings and community service projects and fundraisers.



## 2026 Arthur and Eileen Whitaker Memorial Trade Scholarship Recipient

Ella Radice Selected as the 2026 Arthur and Eileen Whitaker Memorial Trade Scholarship Recipient  
“Ella Radice, who will graduate from Hazleton Area High School this spring, has been selected as the recipient of the 2026 Arthur and Eileen Whitaker Memorial Trade Scholarship”, announces Committee Chair Kim McNulty. “Hazleton Rotary is honored to support Ella’s educational journey with a \$4,000 scholarship to aid her in achieving her future goals.”

Ella, a Drums resident, is the daughter of Mary Lynn Barletta and Frank Radice. She will attend The University of South Carolina beginning this fall and will be pursuing her Nursing degree with a goal of eventually earning a master’s degree.

Ella played HAHS Unified Bocce Ball and HAHS Girls Varsity Volleyball. She was also a member of the National Honors, Spanish National Honors and Math National Honors Societies in addition to the Student Council, Spirit Club, SADD Club and Athena Clubs. She is an employee of The Valley Country Club, Sugarloaf.

Hazleton Rotary President Joan Buffington comments, “The club is delighted to provide this \$4,000 scholarship to someone whose future goals exemplify the Rotary goal of ‘service above self’. We are glad to be able to encourage Ella in her goals to provide health care to children in the future.”

The Arthur and Eileen Whitaker Memorial Trade Scholarship was established in 2023 by Hazleton Rotary to further area students’ formal training and education in a bona fide trade school or similar training/education program, including but not limited to, plumbing, welding, electrical, HVAC, masonry, truck and automotive maintenance, automotive repair, CDL Licensure, beauty school, barber school, massage therapy, and licensed practical nurse programs. Applicants must reside within the boundaries of the Hazleton Area School District and must be under the age of 30 years.



## Hazleton Rotary Club Installs 106th President

Paul J. Oswald will be installed as the 106th President of Hazleton Rotary at the annual President's Party to be held on Wednesday, June 24, 2026, 6:00pm, Valley Country Club. This will be a cocktail reception in celebration of Mr. Oswald's swearing in as President along with the induction of board members and officers. Paul has been a member of Hazleton Rotary since February 2010 and was sponsored for membership by fellow Rotarian Lew Dryfoos.

Paul currently serves as President Elect of the board of directors and has actively participated in the Third-Grade Dictionary Project, Salvation Army Kettle Project, Spaghetti Dinners and Wine & Beer Festival Committee.

His goals for the year as President are to improve member satisfaction with service opportunities and engage newer members in projects within their first six months of membership.

A lifelong resident of Luzerne County, Paul is deeply committed to strengthening the community he calls home. His dedication to service extends beyond his professional responsibilities through active involvement in civic and charitable initiatives that improve the quality of life throughout the region.

Paul is Chief Operating Officer of the Luzerne Foundation bringing more than 35 years of executive leadership experience in both the nonprofit and private sectors. Throughout his career, he has built a reputation for strategic planning, financial stewardship, organizational leadership and community engagement.

He is a graduate of Bishop Hafey High School and Flagler College and resides in Conyngham with wife Mary. They are the proud parents of three children; Benjamin, New York City; Jack, Savannah, Georgia; and Ella, a student at Moravian University.

In addition to Paul, the following Rotarians will be sworn into office: President Elect-Stephen Seach, Vice-President-Anne Frey, Secretary-Lani Drobnock, Treasurer-Patrick Owens, Sergeant-at-Arms-Pat Ward and Immediate Past President-Joan Buffington.

Members of the Board will be Danielle Matarella, Jessica Spare, Michele Genetti, Neal DeAngelo, III, Amy Machita and Anna Gharghoury.

Save the date, Saturday, August 22, 2025, 12noon-6:00pm for the annual Hazleton Rotary Wine & Beer Festival, Louis Schiavo City View Park, 700 South Poplar Street, Hazleton. Check out the Rotary Club website, [www.hazletonrotary.org](http://www.hazletonrotary.org), and the Rotary Club of Hazleton Facebook page for updated information on Hazleton Rotary activities, as well as the local newspapers.





## Spelling Bee Contest Winners

The Milford Matamoras Rotary Club recognized the winners of this year's Delaware Valley School District's Spelling Bee Contest on May 6th at the Dimmick Inn in Milford. First time winners were presented with a Websters Collegiate Dictionary and two students who were repeat winners received a Scrabble Game. Pictured from the left are Norah Jaludi, Delaware Valley Elementary School, Eduardo Arias, Delaware Valley Middle School, Teresa O'Leary, Rotarian, Abraham Feingold, Delaware Valley Primary School, Mattias Itjen, Delaware Valley Middle School, Colleen Rettinger, Rotarian, Oliver Benson, Shohola Elementary School, John Messer, Rotary President, Tammy Bekirov, Rotarian, Michael Dickerson, Rotarian and Garrett Follansbee, Dingman Delaware Elementary School. The club thanked all of the students for going above and beyond to reach their success.

Milford Matamoras Rotary Club meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday's at the Dimmick Inn at 12:15 PM. Anyone interested in becoming a member, contact John Messer at 610-662-5393 or come visit us at a meeting.





## What A Year for our Interact Club!!

This year, over 100 students were members of the Interact Club of Crestwood High School in Mountain Top!

We're so grateful to their club advisor (and Rotarian) Loni Cinoski! Loni has grown the membership to this high point! She guided them to develop meaningful and impactful projects throughout the year.

Recently, we presented the Senior Interact members with their Rotary cords. See photos of their recent meeting.



## Roadside Clean-Up 2026

We know that stretch of road on South Main Road so well! It's been the location of our annual roadside cleanup for many years! Recently our members gathered to beautify that area. We get so many compliments on how well it looks afterwards!

Pictured in photo are: left to right: Josh Dennis, Matt Philistine, Kathryn Murphy, Joanne Joseph, Colleen T ertel, and Alicia Gibbons. In other photo are Joanne Joseph and Jayme Swaditch.



## Making An Impact: Student's Backpack Program!

We are so grateful to be able to donate funds to the school backpack program. It provides food products for students and families in need. The funds were derived from our successful 'Purse and Gift Card Bingo' held in March. This program helps ensure that these students have nourishment beyond the school day.

Presentations were made to the Fairview Elementary School and the Rice Elementary School. Pictured in both photos is Joanne Joseph, club president, presenting checks to the school staff.



Save the Dates!

Mountain Top Rotary  
**FARMERS  
MARKET**  
Every Sunday  
9am-1pm June -Oct.  
Starting June 28  
Crestwood High School  
Parking Lot

  
**ROTARY CLUB**  
Sunday July 26, 2026  
12 noon-6p.m.  
Mountain Top Hose Co.  
Fair Grounds  
**FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!**

- Food
- Spirits
- Games
- Vendors

**September 12, 2026**

Mountain Top Rotary Club  
**STEAM TRAIN  
EXCURSION**

**Penobscot to Jim Thorpe, PA All - Day Excursion**

Join the Mountain Top Rotary Club as we traverse lush forests and quaint towns of Northeastern Pennsylvania. Bring your camera to capture the views that Mountain Top has to offer. Once over the summit, the route will lead us into the majestic Lehigh Gorge before our arrival to Jim Thorpe! While in Jim Thorpe, you will have approximately 4 hours to shop, dine, and explore the town fondly known as "The Switzerland of America".

Get Your Tickets Today!



**Ticket Price**  
**\$70 per person**

No Sales Day of Trip  
Train Runs Rain or Shine

**Arrival & Departure Times**

BOARDING BEGINS IN PENOBSCOT: 8:30 A.M.  
DEPARTS PENOBSCOT: 9:30 A.M.  
APPROXIMATE ARRIVAL IN JIM THORPE: 11:15 A.M.

BOARDING BEGINS IN JIM THORPE: 3:30 P.M.  
DEPARTS JIM THORPE: 4:00 P.M.  
APPROXIMATE ARRIVAL IN PENOBSCOT: 5:30 P.M.

Phone: 610-562-2102

Online: [www.RBMNRR-Passenger.com](http://www.RBMNRR-Passenger.com)

Send check to: Rotary Club of Mountain Top, PO Box 244, Mtn Top, PA 1876

For questions or additional information, visit the Rotary Club of Mountain Top Facebook page  
Railroad can substitute motive power for mechanical issues out of our control





## NEW MILFORD AREA ROTARY WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

The regular meeting on May20th included the induction of new members Dory Browning and Sean Christ. Dory is the Director of the True Friends Animal Welfare Center in Montrose. Sean is employed by Devon Energy Corporation (formerly Coterra Energy) in Springville, Pennsylvania.

Dory and Sean reside in the Page Lake area of Susquehanna County with their children and are life-long residents of Susquehanna County. Both are excited to be involved with Rotary and offer their energies to give back to the community and the world. Both were sponsored by Rotarian Thomas Kurosky of Montrose.

The club currently consists of thirty-five members actively serving the community and world and welcomes new membership. Contact information can be found at [www.facebook.com/newmilfordrotary](http://www.facebook.com/newmilfordrotary) or [NewmilfordpaRotary@gmail.com](mailto:NewmilfordpaRotary@gmail.com)



## New Milford Area Rotary Presents Scholarship to Elk Lake Senior

Cohen Orlandini of Elk Lake Area High School received a scholarship award recently from the New Milford Area Rotary. Presented to Cohen at the annual awards ceremony by David Palmer; the award recognizes academic performance and leadership efforts in the school and community. Cohen is the son of Jamie and Yvonne Orlandini and will attend Cornell University in the fall of 2026.

The New Milford Area Rotary currently consists of thirty-five members actively serving the community and world and welcomes new membership. Contact information can be found at [NewMilfordPaRotary@gmail.com](mailto:NewMilfordPaRotary@gmail.com)



## NEW MILFORD AREA ROTARY WELCOMES NEW MEMBER

The regular meeting on May 6th 2026 included the induction of new member Molly Love-Birosak. Molly is a retired Educator from the Mountain View School District and current Organist at the Saint Mark's Episcopal Church in New Milford.

Born and raised in Lathrop Township, Molly is excited to be involved with Rotary and offers her energies to give back to her community and the world.

The club currently consists of thirty-five members actively serving the community and world and welcomes new membership. Contact information can be found at [www.facebook.com/newmilfordrotary](https://www.facebook.com/newmilfordrotary) or [NewmilfordpaRotary@gmail.com](mailto:NewmilfordpaRotary@gmail.com)





July 26



## MIDSUMMER FAIR

20

at Green Gables Restaurant

26

Sponsored by New Milford Area Rotary



### CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT 11AM • \$25

Entry fee includes Chicken BBQ Dinner

Contact: Jennifer Allen (570) 465-3186 or (570) 465-3830



### CHICKEN BBQ 11AM until gone • \$20.00

Pre-sales must be picked up by 12:30pm.



### CAR CRUISE-IN All day

Bring your classic/custom car or street rod!  
(No dogs around cars, please.)

Contact: Grant Palmer (570) 862-3247



### CRAFT FAIR & FLEA MARKET 10AM

Vendors and Yard Sellers wanted! Contact: David Palmer (570) 498-6637

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GENERAL QUESTIONS? Contact David Palmer (570) 498-6370 or Peg Foster (570) 533-1261



## The Tunkhannock Rotary Club Peace Pole Ceremony

The Tunkhannock Rotary Club recently held a memorable peace pole ceremony, marking a significant step in promoting peace and environmental awareness within the community. This event was inspired by an experience at the International Conference in Calgary, where club president Laura Charles witnessed a peace pole planting led by last year's international president, Stefanie Yurchick. The ceremony brought together students, local leaders, and community members in a unified celebration of hope and harmony.

To bring the vision to life, Laura Charles collaborated with the Interact Club at Tunkhannock High School, under the guidance of advisor Tomasina Fiorelli. The students embraced the project with enthusiasm, actively participating in its planning and execution. One of their key contributions was selecting the languages to display the phrase "Let peace prevail on Earth" on the peace pole, ensuring the message reflected both local and global unity.

The Tunkhannock Rotary Club's peace pole ceremony exemplifies the club's dedication to fostering peace and environmental awareness. The planting of the peace pole was strategically scheduled to coincide with Earth Day, celebrated on April 22. The ceremony drew members from the Interact Club, Tunkhannock Rotary, district governor Tim Genetti, high school administration, and other community leaders. The event featured a choral presentation, adding a musical dimension to the celebration and enhancing its emotional impact. The peace pole stands as a powerful symbol of hope for a healthy planet and world peace.





HAPPY

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# Father's Day



We celebrate the fathers, grandfathers, stepfathers, mentors, and father figures who lead with compassion, integrity, and service.



Thank you for the positive impact you make in your families, our communities, and through Rotary.



SERVICE ABOVE SELF



*Happy Father's Day from the Rotary Family*





# Thank You

— TO DISTRICT GOVERNOR —  
**TIM GENETTI**  
— FOR YOUR SERVICE —  
AS DISTRICT GOVERNOR  
THIS PAST YEAR



Thank you for your leadership, dedication, and unwavering commitment to *Service Above Self*.



Through your guidance, our clubs have grown stronger, our impact has expanded, and our communities are better because of you.



Your year of service has left a lasting legacy in our district and in the hearts of Rotarians.



## SERVICE ABOVE SELF



*The Rotary District thanks you!*

